GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA

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ALANG SHIP RECYCLING YARD
Maadam Shri Vikrambhai Arjanbhai

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government has received any proposal from the Government of Gujarat for opening of a separate office of the Explosive Department at Alang Ship Recycling Yards in Gujarat;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the action taken by the Government thereon?

Answer

MINISTER OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS & PANCHAYATI RAJ (SHRI MANI SHANKAR AIYAR)

(a) to (c): Government have received a suggestion from the Government of Gujarat to amend Rule 43 of the Petroleum Rules, 2002 to include ship breaking activities so that inspection of ships after beaching is done by the Explosive Department. The Government of Gujarat has also requested the opening of a separate office of the Explosives Department at Alang Ship ecycling Yard in Gujarat.

This Ministry is in the process of consulting the Ministries/ Department concerned for their views on the proposed amendment in the Petroleum Rules, 2002. An appropriate view on opening a separate office of the Explosives Department at Alang Ship Recycling Yard might be considered after the decision on the proposed amendment in the Petroleum Rules, 2002 has been taken.